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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HOLBROOKE FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PEPR, TW, CH, US
SUBJECT: BRIEFING ROC ON BRZEZINSKI TRIP

1. ALTHOUGH MY STAFF AND I HAVE EMPHASIZED TO GROC OFFICIALS THAT YOUR TRIP TO PEKING WILL BE FOR CONSULTATIONS RATHER THAN NEGOTIATION ON NORMALIZATION, THERE REMAINS CONCERN HERE ABOUT THE VISIT, PARTICULARLY IN THE LIGHT OF OTHER ACTIONS WE ARE TAKING WHICH SUGGEST WE ARE MOVING TOWARD NORMALIZATION. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES I BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR ME TO BRIEF CHIANG CHING-KUO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER YOU DEPART PEKING.

2. SUGGEST THAT SUCH A BRIEFING PARALLEL AND REINFORCE WHATEVER YOU PLAN TO TELL GROC REPRESENTATIVES IN WASHINGTON. THIS MIGHT ALSO BE A GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR ME TO BALANCE OUR CONDITIONING WITH SOME REASSURANCE THAT WHILE THERE WILL PROBABLY BE CONTINUING READJUSTMENTS IN THE FORM OF OUR PRACTICAL RELATIONSHIPS, WE FULLY INTEND TO PRESERVE WHAT WE CONSIDER ESSENTIAL TIES WITH TAIWAN.
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